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TAGS: MARR, AR

SUBJECT: TELEMETRY SUPPORT STAGING - EC-135N ADVANCED RANGE
INSTRUMENTATION AIRCRAFT (ARIA)

1. THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE HAS SCHEDULED SATELLITE
LAUNCHES FOR 2 JUNE AND 1 AUGUST 1976. TO INSURE THAT THE
SATELLITES ARE LAUNCHED INTO THE DESIRED ORBIT, A
TELEMETRY AIRCRAFT IS NEEDED AT A TERMINAL SUPPORT
POSITION (TSP) 1580 NAUTICAL MILES SOUTHEAST OF BUENOS
AIRES DURING THE ORBITAL INSERTION PHASE. TO ACCOMPLISH
THE DESIRED SUPPORT, THE AIR FORCE PROPOSES TO STAGE ONE
EC-135N AIRCRAFT AT EZEIZA AERODROME, BUENOS AIRES, FOR
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THE LAUNCH DAYS.

2. THE TELEMETRY AIRCRAFT, TAIL NUMBER 61328, CALL SIGN AGAR 23 (BACK UP 61329 - CALL SIGN AGAR 24) WILL ARRIVE AT EZEIZA TWO DAYS PRIOR TO LAUNCH. ON LAUNCH DAY THE AIRCRAFT WILL DEPART EZEIZA AND FLY DIRECT TO THE TSP AT FLIGHT LEVEL 300. THE AIRCRAFT WILL BE RECEIVING TELEMETRY DATA AND RETRANSMITTING THAT DATA THROUGH THE LES 6 OR MARISAT SATELLITE BACK TO THE RANGE STATIONS AND LAUNCH SITE. AFTER MISSION SUPPORT, THE AIRCRAFT WILL RETURN TO

EZEIZA BY THE MOST DIRECT ROUTE, REMAIN OVERNIGHT FOR CREW

REST AND THEN REDEPLOY TO ITS HOME STATION. SUMMARY OF ITINERARY AS FOLLOWS:

AIRLINE -- STATION --- DEPART -- PURPOSE

----- WRIGHT-PATTERSON 28 MAY/27 JUL ORIGINATE
----- AFB OH

28 MAY/27 JUL ZANDERIJ, SURINAM 29 MAY/28JUL TRANSIT ONLY

29 MAY/28 JUL GALEAO(RIO), 31 MAY/30JUL TRANSIT ONLY
----- BRAZIL

31 MAY/30 JUL EZEIZA, ARGENTINA 3 JUN/2 AUG STAGING

3 JUN/2 AUG GALEAO (RIO), 4 JUN/3 AUG TRANSIT ONLY
----- BRAZIL

4 JUN/3 AUG ZANDERIJ, SURINAM 5 JUN/4 AUG TRANSIT ONLY

6 JUN/4 AUG WRIGHT-PATTERSON TERMINATE
----- AFB OH

AIRCRAFT WILL OVERFLY URUGUARY ONLY ON RETURN FLIGHTS (3 JUNE AND 2 AUGUST 76).

3. AIRCRAFT WILL BE MANNED AND OPERATED BY A CREW OF 22 PERSONNEL INCLUDING 7 OFFICERS, 1 DOD SPONSORED
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CIVILIAN, AND 14 ENLISTED MEN. ALL ARE U.S. CITIZENS WITH OFFICIAL MILITARY PASSPORTS. AT BOTH THE STAGING AND TRANSIT STOPS THE AIRCRAFT WILL REQUIRE UP TO 140,000 LBS OF JET FUEL (JP4 OR 5 OR EQUIVALENT) AND 670 U.S. GALLONS OF DEMINERALIZED WATER. A PASSENGER RAMP, MD-3 POWER UNIT (OR SUITABLE EQUIVALENT), AND A MA-1A (AIR START CART) WILL BE REQUIRED FOR EACH ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE.

4. REQUEST EMBASSY SEEK GOA APPROVAL FOR STAGING AT
EZEIZA WITH PROVISIO THAT WOULD ALLOW LAUNCH SLIPPAGE UP TO
90 DAYS IN EACH CASE. PROVIDED IN-PRINCIPLE APPROVAL CAN
BE OBTAINED FOR THE PROPOSAL, 4950 TEST WING WILL PROVIDE
USDAO'S (AND AMCONSUL PARAMARI30) WITH AIRCRAFT DIPLOMATIC
CLEARANCE REQUEST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE USAF FOREIGN
CLEARANCE GUIDE.

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